



Proclamation

Hunger and malnutrition is one of the most serious public health problems in the world. Malnutrition is the number one major cause of deaths worldwide, causing more fatalities than war, disease or disasters.

Therefore, on this World Food Day, the citizens of Hawai'i join communities across the globe in the fight against hunger. World hunger can be solved by leaders and citizens globally resolving to work together.

We celebrate World Food Day on October 16 of each year in recognition of the day the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations was founded in 1945. This organization will take the lead to defeat hunger.

Over the past century in America and other countries, there has been an economic shift away from agriculture.

This year's theme, *Investing in Agriculture for Food Security*, promotes a dialog on how to bring agriculture back to the forefront of industrialized economies.

Agriculture has always played an important role in Hawai'i, and this state is committed to helping our farmers thrive and successfully distribute their wide array of products to our citizens.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **October 16, 2006**, as

WORLD FOOD DAY

in Hawai'i, and encourage the citizens of our Aloha State to support local farmers and contribute to food banks or organizations that help address the issue of hunger.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this tenth day of October 2006.



Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i



James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i